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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Winfried Edelmann, Richard D. Kolodner, Jeffrey W. Pollard, and Raju S. Kucherlapati

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

At page 4, line 16, after "Figure 3A, B, E, F" please delete "I, J";

At page 4, line 17, please replace "(A, E, I)" with --(A, E)--;

At page 4, line 17, please replace "(B, F, J)" with --(B, F)--;

At page 4, line 20, please replace "3C, D, G, H, K, L" with --3C, D, G, H--;

At page 4, line 21, please replace "(C, G, K)" with --(C, G)--;